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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Justice Department--

It is my opinion that any settlement imposed on Microsoft truly address the root of the case: Microsoft used its monopoly share of the market in order to unfairly quash competition, and it continues to do so today. Any settlement that allows for donation of software should be ruled out, other than to current customers of the company - and the value of that donation should be calculated on the basis of the cost of materials, not an inflated retail price.

Any fines imposed on the company should be done so in a way that precludes Microsoft having any say in the disposition of such funds.

I consider the original judgement calling for the break up of the company into two separate companies would have been a far more appropriate remedy.

Sincerely yours, Larry Roth